GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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POWER PLANTS BASED ON SOLAR ENERGY .
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) The problem being faced in the implementation of Mega Power Plant Scheme based on solar energy in the Mathania village of district Jodhpur;

(b) The time by which it is likely to be resolved; and

(c) The time by which the said plant is likely to be started?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR)

(a),(b)&(c): The scope and parameters of the 140 MW Integrated Solar Combined Cycle Power project proposed at Mathania, Jodhpur, Rajasthan have undergone changes from the time it was conceived. These include inability to ensure availability of associate fuel which has undergone a change from naptha to gas, apprehensions on availability of spare parts in future on account of proposed use of an earlier version of solar thermal technology, inability of the contractor to provide a performance guarantee for the integrated combined cycle part of the project and adverse impact on the quantum of GEF grant due to a change in the baseline warranting a relook at project financing. Accordingly, Government of Rajasthan have been advised to prepare a fresh Detailed Project Report (DPR), get it appraised by the Planning Commission and take a fresh investment decision in the matter.